

The Award Winning Jimmy Carter Library & Museum

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Something for Everyone Week

Atlanta, GA –Over the next week, we'll have something for everyone at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum: two author programs, a photography exhibit and a behind the scenes look at efforts trying to wipe out diseases.

It all begins this Friday at 7pm when author Benjamin Reiss discusses his book "Wild Nights" with GPB's Bill Nigut. The book looks at why is sleep frustrating for so many people? Why do we spend so much time and money managing and medicating it, and training ourselves and our children to do it correctly? In Wild Nights, Benjamin Reiss finds answers in sleep's hidden history—one that leads to our present, sleep-obsessed society, its tacitly accepted rules, and their troubling consequences. The free conversation will be followed by a book signing.

Then, beginning Sunday, March 19th, take a stunning visual trip along the Silk Road with National Geographic Magazine photographer Michael Yamashita. The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum and The Carter Center will host a display of 37 photographs by Yamashita as he retraces the Silk Road route of Marco Polo and the Chinese explorer Zheng He. The exhibit, *Silk Road Journey-"One Belt One Road,"* is sponsored by the Reignwood Group and will be on display in the lobby of the Jimmy Carter Presidential Museum from March 19 thru March 29, 2017.

Tuesday evening at 7pm, Dr. Mark Siddall, curator at the American Museum of Natural History, will give a behind-the-scenes look at how one of the world's largest museums built an exhibition around stories of tracking, mapping, and containing Guinea worm disease. Siddall will also welcome Mr. Makoy Samuel Yibi Logora of the South Sudan Ministry of Health to speak about the successes and challenges faced by the South Sudan Guinea Worm Eradication Program. There will be a pre-conversation reception beginning at 6pm and free tours of the exhibition Countdown to Zero: Defeating Disease.

And we'll top off the week (March 23 at 7pm) with a visually amazing look at Georgia's Ossabaw Island. Photographer Jill Stuckey will show images from her book *Ossabaw Island: A Sense of Place* and we'll hear stories of the island's past and present from Evan Kutzler and vignettes that share insights about the life and work of Roger Parker--Ossabaw's "Saltwater Cowboy"--who worked on the island for more than half a century. The island has been a source of live oak lumber, a series of brutal slave plantations, a winter retreat for northern industrialists, a cattle ranch, an artists' retreat, and Georgia's first Heritage Preserve. This is one author event you won't want to miss.

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